

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 676**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Nakanishi**

February 19, 2003

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An act to add Section 21025.5 to the Government Code, relating to public employees' retirement, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 676, as introduced, Nakanishi. Public employees' retirement: service credit.

Under existing law, service retirement benefits for members of the Public Employees' Retirement System are calculated, in part, based on the member's years of credited service. Members of the system may, under existing law, receive service credit for public service, as defined, upon payment of specified additional contributions. Those contributions are deposited in the Public Employees' Retirement Fund, a continuously appropriated fund.

This bill would authorize active or retired school members of the system to receive credit for service rendered during a specified period for an independent data processing center, subject to certain conditions. By increasing contributions to the Public Employees' Retirement Fund, the bill would make an appropriation.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 21025.5 is added to the Government  
2 Code, to read:

1 21025.5. (a) “Public service” with respect to a school  
2 member or a retired school member also means service rendered  
3 on or after June 30, 1977, and prior to June 30, 1982, to an  
4 independent data processing center formed pursuant to former  
5 Article 2 (commencing with Section 10550) of Chapter 6 of Part  
6 7 of Title 1 of the Education Code, as it read on December 31,  
7 1990, if all of the following conditions are met:

8 (1) The member was a school member prior to employment  
9 with the independent data processing center.

10 (2) The member returned to school employment following  
11 termination of his or her employment with the independent data  
12 processing center.

13 (3) The member received a refund of the contributions he or she  
14 made to the system during his or her employment with the  
15 independent data processing center.

16 (b) A retirement allowance of a retired school member who  
17 elects to receive service credit for public service pursuant to this  
18 section shall be increased only with respect to the allowance  
19 payable on and after the first day of the month following the date  
20 the election is received.

21 (c) A member may elect to receive credit for public service  
22 pursuant to this section at any time prior to retirement.

23 (d) Benefits arising from service credited to a member under  
24 this section shall become a liability of the employer for which the  
25 school member rendered service prior to employment with the  
26 independent data processing center.

